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PRICE FIVE CENTS



Christmas Greetings

TO ONE AND ALL



Annual Game Supper

The Northfield Brotherhood met in the Congregational church last Monday for the annual ladies' night and game supper. The desire to meet and hear the speaker, the Hon. John W. Haigis, treasurer of the Commonwealth; the presence of the ladies who were the guests of the brotherhood, and the supper of venison and accompanying good things, brought a record attendance. The supper was provided by the prowess of the members. As usual, the mighty huntsman, H. A. Reed, was in charge, assisted by a large committee which did excellent service in looking after the wants of the guests. Before leaving the tables, the gathering was called to order by President Hatch for a short business session. A number of new members were received and a collection was taken to help defray the expenses of the community Christmas tree. Adam Weslowski, a student at Mt. Hermon, gave a highly entertaining exhibition of his skill with the baton. He was accompanied by Leon Dummell, pianist. After adjourning to the auditorium, Mr. Weslowski gave a number of pleasing selections on the xylophone.

In introducing the speaker, Mr. Hatch voiced the deep appreciation of the entire Brotherhood at Mr. Haigis' presence as guest speaker; a man upon whom the duties of his office make so many exactions, both of time and strength. A leader in all the activities of his city, county and State that are for the betterment of the individual and community at large. As opportunities have come to him to serve in a public capacity, he has assumed the responsibilities with a thoughtful earnestness and comprehension that instill the utmost confidence.

Mr. Haigis took for the subject of his address, "How the Commonwealth raises and expends its funds." He explained very clearly and in a most interesting way the many activities and responsibilities of the treasury department and at the close of his address answered many questions bearing upon State and local appropriations.

Tri-County Campaign Over The Top

As we go to press, reports from The Northfield Schools' tri-county campaign indicate that the goal will be reached. Windham County went well over its mark; Cheshire County's final report is not in but the prospect of its being over the quota is good, and Franklin County's workers have enough in hand to bring the grand total of the tri-county quota considerably beyond the apportioned \$52,785.

Annual Meeting, O. E. S.

At the annual meeting of Northfield Chapter, O. E. S., held last evening, the reports showed the financial condition very satisfactory. The following officers were duly elected for the coming year: Worthy matron, Mrs. Louise Krause; worthy patron, Roy E. Flanders; associate matron, Mrs. Eliza Pearson; associate patron, Clarence M. Steadler; treasurer, Mrs. Maria O. Keet; secretary, Mrs. Josephine Haskell; conductress, Mrs. Alfreda Mattern; associate conductress, Miss Mildred Pearson. Refreshments were served and each member received a Christmas present. These officers, with the appointed officers will be installed at the next regular meeting of the chapter, Jan. 15, by Mrs. Leah Taggart, deputy matron of Millers Falls, assisted by Miss Marion E. Webster as marshal, William A. Wright a patron and Mrs. Josephine Haskell as chaplain.

A first class battleship costs \$35,000,000 and is obsolete in ten years. If the world has sense enough to hammer its swords into plowshares and spend the money wasted in war for things of comfort and beauty and utility, it could create a new world. The cost of one battleship would build a thousand miles of the finest hard surfaced road. It would endow a splendid hospital in 35 States or would give 9,000 young men and women a college education. The world has plenty to care for its needs if the people of the world knew enough to use it in the right way.

Emmy Lou (buying shoes): "Of course I want them comfortable, but at the same time good looking and attractive."

Shoe Clerk: "Yes, madam, I understand—large inside and small outside."

Longdon: "Give me an example of wasted energy."

Filling: "Telling a baldheaded man a hair raising story."

Chapel Xmas Service

The Christmas service in Sage chapel last Sunday evening was so excellently presented that much praise was given by those who were present. Many of the students, including the Estey chorus, took part in choruses and carols. Accompaniments were played by Miss Keller, organist; Miss Richardson, pianist; Mrs. Roy Peterson of Greenfield, violinist, and Warren S. Brigham of Shelburne, cellist and guest artist. The following program was given:

Organ Prelude, In Dulci Jubilo, F. S. Bach; Christmas Pastorale, Harker; Processional, Dost Thou Remember the Prophet, Old French; hymn, It Came Upon the Midnight Clear; carols, When the Sun Had Sunk to Rest, Old English; Saluator Mundi Natus Est, Old English; anthem, Calm on the Listening Ear of Night, Harker; Estey Chorus (violin and cello obligato); Scripture reading and prayer; hymn, O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, Old French, 13th Century; Christmas Carol, Florence N. Wilson; hymn, Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem; carols, Bring a Torch, Old French, What Child is This? Traditional; Silent Night, Old German, Estey Chorus; hymn, the First Noel, Old English; anthem, O Holy Night; Adam; March of the Magi Kings, Dubois; Pastorale, piano and organ, Guilman; Recessional, Adeste Fideles.

S. E. Walker, Director

Samuel E. Walker has been elected a member of the board of directors of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. The extent of the operations of this society may be seen in a recent letter to its members, reminding them of what they had accomplished during the past year. It says:—

You helped improve conditions in 1850 homes where the children were subjected to wilful neglect by their parents. You helped prevent the degradation and suffering in 1916 homes that were broken by death, desertion, separation or divorce. You helped secure adequate support in 1209 homes where the breadwinner was neglecting to support his family. You helped rescue children from, or improve the atmosphere in 1145 homes where the children were subjected to immoral influences. You helped secure medical and surgical treatment for children in 1639 homes where the parents through ignorance, superstition or neglect were allowing the children to suffer. You helped stop physical cruelty to children in 360 homes. You helped secure for unmarried mothers in 773 instances support for their child from the putative father, comfort in their distress and a clearer outlook on life. You helped bring to justice many of the men guilty of the downfall of 267 little girls and to secure for these little victims of degeneracy a safer environment, more wholesome homes and opportunities to outlive the degrading memories of their tragic experience. You helped alleviate the disgrace and suffering caused by drunkenness in 1013 homes. You helped secure, through the courts the rights and privileges of 2872 children. You helped in the protection of 14,118 children from cruelty, suffering, vice and crime. You helped to do this through your contributions to the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Your interest and aid were most heartily appreciated.

Engagement Announced

The engagement has been announced of Miss Elizabeth Webster Briggs, daughter of Mr. Charles L. Briggs of Springfield, to Edmund Staunton Oppenheimer, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Oppenheimer, also of Springfield, though no date has been set for their marriage. Miss Briggs is the granddaughter of the late Henry Webster, who for many years ran a grist mill in Northfield and was representative from this district in the General Court at Boston.

Community Christmas Tree

Everybody in Northfield, young and old, should make a special effort to join in the festivities around the Christmas tree, Tuesday, Dec. 24. Promptly at 6.30 p. m., all will join in singing Christmas carols, led by Phil Porter, with Joe Field as cornetist. At 7 o'clock, Santa Claus has radioed that he will arrive with a present for all the kiddies from three years old up through the eighth grade. Be on hand promptly and be sure the children have the identification tickets given them in school.

Tercentenary Notes

The National Council of State Superintendents and Commissioners of Education has adopted a resolution recommending that schools of America observe the tercentenary of the founding of Massachusetts Bay Colony by appropriate instruction and exercises through material to be published by



the United States Office of Education. Senator Walsh, who recently spoke before the council in Washington, urging it to cooperate in celebrating the tercentenary, was notified of the favorable action.

Galen Stearns has accepted the chairmanship of the committee on the Old Folk's Dance in the Town hall, Wednesday, July 30, as part of the Tercentenary celebration program, and Mrs. Robert H. Wilder has consented to join the publicity committee.

Mount Hermon

Miss Katherine Drury returned from college on Tuesday, the 17th.

Dean Thomas E. Elder returned for work Monday morning after a trip to Chicago, preceded by a day spent in Boston.

Henry O. Crusius has had an operation in the Boston City hospital and will not return to his work at Mount Hermon for some little time.

Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead of Boston spoke at morning chapel on Friday, Dec. 13. Mrs. Mead, an experienced and logical speaker, has appeared several times previously at Mt. Hermon.

The Christmas exercises of the Junior Sunday school were held in the Vestry Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, under the direction of Mrs. Roy R. Hatch, who was this year assisted by Mrs. Cherille Fleckles at the piano. After the exercises, Santa Claus appeared, amid much jingling of bells, and all the children received presents and light refreshments.

On Sunday evening the service of Christmas music was given at 7.30, preceded by the singing of carols. In addition to the singing of the choir, a violin solo, Ave Maria, was played by J. Albert Fairchild; xylophone solo by Adam Weslowski, who played Holy Night, Silent Night, and the full orchestra played the Overture to the Messiah. Rev. E. V. Fleckles of the Bible department, assisted Dr. Cutler in conducting the service.

The Good Government club and the Philomathean Literary Society had a joint meeting in the Good Government room Saturday night, which was attended by several of the honorary members of the clubs as well as by the student members. Mr. Erickson of the English department gave readings from Cyrano de Bergerac, and a one-act play was presented by members of the Philomathean Literary Society. This was a fantasy, "Pierrot and Pierrette," and was very nice indeed.

At the regular chapel exercises Tuesday morning the principal made announcement of the first five men in the senior class to be admitted to the Cum Laude Society and to wear the Cum Laude key. These men were Bruce I. Butterworth of Detroit, Mich.; E. Glenn Albright, Souderton, Pa.; Alden B. Kynor, Meriden, Conn.; Edward V. Naylor, Meriden, Conn.; and Jacob M. Rosoloff, Hamadan, Persia. Another five will receive this honor and their names will be announced later in the year.

The December meeting of the speaking in the interest of world peace, Women's Literary Society was held at the home of Mrs. Thomas E. Elder on Thursday evening. Mrs. Dudley C. Barnes, Mrs. Albin E. Franz and Miss Ralida M. Poole, assisted by Mrs. Elder, entertained the members of the society. Mrs. Richard L. Watson acted as chairman for the evening; Mrs. Roy Hatch read a short paper on the history of radio; Mr. Hatch showed moving pictures of radio in action, from the physicist's point of view; Mrs. Nelson E. Jackson gave a very interesting paper on the same subject and read a delightful chapter from McNaughton's new book, "Now We're on the Air." Mrs. Watson's talk, in concluding the program, was an "appreciation" of the radio, and was followed by radio music. The hostess of the evening, Mrs. Elder read a short passage from Dickens' Christmas Carol and refreshed memories of Mrs. Bob Cratchit—just before Mrs. Bob Cratchit herself appeared, bringing in the blabbing Christmas pudding.

Silver Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar J. Mack celebrated their silver anniversary Saturday, Dec. 14. Mrs. Mack's sister, Mrs. C. A. Whitney of Ashburnham, came here for the celebration and week-end. The celebration included an anniversary dinner, which was served by Miss Dorothy McGowan. Besides Mr. and Mrs. Mack and Mrs. Whitney, there were present Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Pattison, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Buffum, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Porter, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wright of Worwick avenue. Among the anniversary gifts were silverware and silver coins. This was a happy ending to the first quarter century of their married life, and their friends wish them much joy in their second quarter century. They were married in Gloucester, Dec. 4, 1904, by the Rev. A. M. Osgood of the Prospect street M. E. church.

The Friendly Class met with Mrs. Earl Lilly on Thursday evening for its monthly meeting and Christmas party. A Christmas tree and Santa Claus, who distributed presents to all, made the evening a merry one.

The Girls Scouts held the first meeting of the season on Monday, Dec. 16, at the Congregational church, with Mrs. Ross Spencer, directing. The time was spent in discussing plans for the Christmas party, to be held Friday evening at 5 o'clock, with supper and Christmas tree festivities, at the vestry.

South Vernon

Miss Thelma Holton and her mother, Mrs. Alfred Holton, are ill with severe colds.

The mid-week prayer meeting will be held at the Vernon Home next Thursday at 7.30 p. m.

The Mission Study class meets every Wednesday at 3 p. m. at the Vernon Home. Mrs. Cater is leader.

Mrs. Ralph Holton is visiting her father, Joseph Weston, in Belleville, N. J. She went before Thanksgiving.

Vincent Avery and his friend, Mr. Smith, of Easthampton, were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jackson.

Mrs. Harry Fillman and her mother, Mrs. J. E. Lawrence of Brattleboro, Vt., visited their summer home, Elmshade Farm, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Holton moved last Sunday from H. C. Buffum's house, south of Buffum's store, to their new bungalow in West Norwich, which they built this fall.

Harry M. Yerrington of Brattleboro, Vt., who has been the rural mail carrier in this town for several years, has finished his work as mail carrier, and Elmer Scherlin is substitute mail carrier.

The schools at Dickerson hall closed last Friday afternoon with appropriate Christmas exercises, for the Christmas vacation. Quite a number of townspeople were present and enjoyed the plays, speaking and other exercises.

Last Tuesday evening W. Dunklee and R. E. Bruce, Vernon representatives of the Northfield schools campaign committee, attended the final meeting of the tri-county campaign committee at the Hotel Brooks in Brattleboro, Vt.

The friends of Mrs. Jennie Browning will be very sorry to hear that she is failing. Mrs. Wallace, who is very ill in the Melrose hospital in West Brattleboro, Vt., was a little more comfortable last Saturday, when Mrs. George E. Tyler called to see her.

Ransom Akeley was 81 years old on Saturday, Dec. 7. He went to the Melrose hospital in West Brattleboro, Vt., the following Tuesday for an X-ray examination for two growths on his right side, and is now gaining so fast as to expect to be able to return to his home in a few days. His friends are all glad he is improving so nicely.

Special Christmas exercises will be held at the church next Sunday by the combining of both church and Sunday school for a union service at 10.45 a. m. Special Christmas exercises will be given by the children, followed by a short Christmas exercise by the pastor, Rev. George E. Tyler. There will be no church school. In the evening at 7 o'clock, Mrs. R. E. Bruce, who is State director of Daily Vacation Bible schools, will speak on the work of the Church Vacation school and have an exhibit of Vacation school work. All are cordially invited to attend.

Personal Mention

H. A. Reed and sons killed two does during the open season for deer.

Northfield Seminary closed today for the Christmas recess, to reopen Jan. 2, 1930.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Mason drove to Newport, N. H., Monday, to visit friends.

Mrs. P. W. Stanley and daughters plan to spend the Christmas season in Meriden, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Pitt are in Wayne, Penn., visiting their daughter Mrs. E. M. Powell.

Mrs. Benjamin James is in Franklin County hospital for treatment of an abscess on her leg.

Frank W. Caldwell spent Friday and Saturday of last week with his mother, Mrs. F. B. Caldwell.

Mrs. Frank Evans is making an excellent recovery from her recent operation at Farren hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Clark and daughter were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Kidder.

Miss Marion Webster entertained six friends from Keene and Winchester, N. H., Saturday evening for dinner.

Mrs. G. T. Thompson was called to Shelburne Falls Saturday by the serious illness of her father, Mr. Kinsman.

Miss Mildred W. Coe comes from New York city today to visit her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Coe, until after Christmas.

Public schools closed, Friday, Dec. 13, to reopen Dec. 30, except the high school, which continues one week longer, closing today, Dec. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Waite have rented the first floor of Mrs. C. C. Stockbridge's house on Highland avenue, and will be at home to their friends there after Dec. 31.

The next meeting of the Northfield Grange will be held in Grange hall Monday evening, Dec. 23, at 8 o'clock. It will be a Christmas party and every member is urged to be present.

Mrs. E. F. Howard leaves today (Friday) for Wallingford, Vt., where there will be a Christmas reunion of all the family. Dr. and Mrs. Philip Howard plan to motor there from Detroit, Mich.

Paul Gorkawski, who was found wandering half cold in the early morning on South Main street a week ago, showed marked symptoms of insanity after being taken home. He is now being cared for in the State hospital at Northampton.

Dana W. Leavis, accompanied by his mother, took his wife and baby to the home of her parents in Stoneham, on Sunday for the Christmas holidays. Mr. Leavis will join his family in Stoneham for the Christmas festivities.

Mrs. D. H. Mattoon of Cleveland, O., with her daughter Marion, is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Mattoon on South Main street. Her brother Robert Ramsdell, also of Cleveland, came with her, but had to return the following day.

Raymond Hitchcock from East Dover, Vt., is spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doolittle and attending public school. His sister is living with Mrs. C. P. Buffum and also attending public school. Their mother is a former Seminary student.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Winterbottom at the Jane Brown Memorial hospital, Providence, R. I., on Sunday, Dec. 15, a grandson of Mrs. Fred S. Merrifield of this town. Mrs. Winterbottom was formerly Miss Phoebe Williams of Northfield.

A large number of people attended the production of Pinafore at the Garden theatre in Greenfield Tuesday evening, when Mrs. R. E. Hubbard of Greenfield, formerly of Northfield, had the role of Josephine and Dr. Hubbard was the admiral as Sir Joseph Porter. The proceeds were for the Greenfield high school.

A delightful Christmas program will be given at the Unitarian church this evening, when a play for the children, written by Mrs. G. E. Griffith, wife of the pastor, will be presented, and will be followed by the Christmas tree, with Santa Claus distributing gifts for all. Previous to the entertainment, supper will be served to the children, and then presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Moody and Miss Betty Moody are leaving town for the winter on Dec. 30. Mr. Moody has accepted a position in Chicago for a few months, returning in the spring in time to make arrangements for the General Christian Workers' Conference in August.

Among the speakers for the General Christian Workers' Conference in August who have definitely accepted invitations to take part in the gathering are the Rev. James Reid of Eastbourne, England, and Dr. G. Campbell

Closes Pastorate

The Rev. F. E. Griffith, who recently tendered his resignation as pastor of the Northfield Unitarian church, to take effect Dec. 31, will preach for the last time prior to his leaving for the South, next Sunday morning. The theme of his sermon will be "The Transformer." Mr. and Mrs. Griffith will motor to Florida next week and will probably make their home near Orlando, though just where is not yet definitely decided.

Mr. Griffith was called to the church here in April, 1923. He is a graduate of St. Lawrence University, receiving the degree of B. D. in 1906. He was of the Universalist denomination until 1910, when he went to Westboro, Mass., as pastor of the Unitarian church there. Following his pastorate there he served at Northampton, Mass., as pastor of the Unitarian Society at Florence, and later was called to the First Unitarian church at Waterville, Me. The rigorous climate of New England has been too severe for him and two years ago he was compelled to spend the winter in Florida. It is his belief that a permanent residence in the South is his best health insurance. The good wishes of the people of Northfield go with him and Mrs. Griffith in the land of sunshine.

Pick-Ups

When Mark Twain was at York Harbor, Me., an old fisherman named Captain Brooks became one of the if there's an osteopath at the harbor?" Mark dropped in on the old tar and said: "Captain Brooks do you know if there's an osteopath at the harbor?" "Wal," said the old captain, "the' mebbe, but I ain't never ketcht one yet, and I've been fishing here nigh onto 40 years."

"Well," said Mark, "I guess I'll go and inquire at the drugstore." That evening Captain Brooks told his wife about it, and she said: "You're a bright one, Jed Brooks; that ain't no fish; it's a bird."—Ladies' Home Journal.

A salesman sold an old colored farmer a tractor. A few days after the machine was delivered the salesman called on his customer for pay. "Can you pay me for the tractor, Uncle Jim?" "Pay fo' de tractor?" he asked in astonishment and wrath. "Why, man, yo' done tole me da in free weeks de tractor would pay fo' hisself."

The railway supervisor of a Western line received the following note from one of his foremen:

"I am sending the accident report on Casey's foot, when he struck it with the spike maul. Now, under 'Remarks,' do you want mine or do you want Casey's?—Everybody's Weekly.

Down in Tennessee one Mose Simpson, a negro, was putting in his first day with a line construction gang whose foreman was noted for his ability to get the maximum amount of work out of his men. They were clearing a right of way and all day long Mose was kept busy swinging an axe, "hosting" heavy timbers around and in general kept 100 per cent busy. At the end of the day he was so tired that he could hardly navigate. Just the same Mose hurried up to the foreman.

"Mistuh boss man, is you sure you rot me down on de payroll?" inquired the worn out Mose.

The foreman looked over the list of names in his book. "Yes," he said finally, "here it is—Simpson, Mose Simpson. That's right, isn't it?" "Yass uh, boss," said Mose, "das right awright. I jus' thought maybe you-all had me down as Sampson."

Mrs. George F. Pentacost

Word has been received of the death, on Dec. 10, of Mrs. George F. Pentacost at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frederica Phillips, on Riverside Drive, New York city. Mrs. Pentacost is well remembered in Northfield. Her death came after a comparatively brief illness and at the unusual age of 93.

Morgan of Philadelphia. It is hoped to make fuller announcement at an early date of other expected speakers, early date of other expected speakers.

The Evening Auxiliary met at the parlors of the Congregational church last Friday evening, with Dr. Florence Colton presiding. At this time they packed a Christmas box to be sent to the Upland sanatorium, Pleasant Hill, Tenn. The box contained layettes and maternity garments for mothers which the society has been preparing all through the fall.



MOSSETTE was conscious of a noise—something unusual, which disturbed her slumbers, and, weary as she was with putting up holly and doing up some belated packages to be delivered in the morning, she resented the interruption. As the noise became more discordant, a dazzling light penetrated her closed eyelids; she woke to see her room filled with a cinematic vision as fantastic as though a piece of jazz music had taken on form and color.

Presently she realized that the illumination was caused by thousands of small candles whirling around a huge star which glared rather than beamed at her from her window. Dozens of other figures were whirling, dancing, fighting, it seemed, among the candles, over the furniture—everywhere. She could not distinguish one from another at first, and the wild clanging of bells so confused her that she didn't know how even to ask for information. She grew so desperate, however, that when the racket abated, she gasped out:

"Please, what is it?"

In answer came a tired voice, like that of a discouraged old man: "We are in revolt, and we want you to be our spokesman."



"But—what are you all—?" Mosette inquired. "Look!" said the voice, and as she opened her eyes wider, and abated them from the glare, she saw, perched on the music box, a crumpled figure which might be called a caricature of Santa Claus. It was evidently made of

paper, and was very much dilapidated.

"You behold here," it said wearily, "an over-worked, played-out Santa Claus—used up, or misused up by Christmas bundlers."

"Christmas bundlers, you mean!" interrupted a rustling voice.

Mosette looked in the direction from which it came, and there, on the table,

was a huge roll of tissue paper, tied with red ribbons.

"We don't mind," rustled the voice, "doing up real packages, or performing any other real service, but when it comes to being put into pictures and rhymes, we object. We get so tired of 'red and white, red and white'!"

"How about red and green?" challenged a scraggly little poinsettia, jumping around in its pot like an excited scarlet tanager. "If you knew that your California ancestors grew up to the roofs of bungalows, and had gorgeous flaming blossoms like great flags, I guess you'd object to being a skinny little thing like me, forced for the holiday season."

"Clang! Clang!" came once more the noise which had first roused Mosette; she saw the red paper bells she had hung there an hour earlier, ringing and talking at the same time.

"Christmas bells are beautiful things when they are real," they said, "and when they bring a message, but we object to being made into great red travesties of bells. Who ever heard of a red bell, or one that was all puffed and fluted like a ballet dancer's dress?"

Mosette felt a bit conscience-stricken, and turning toward Santa Claus, she said:

"I suppose we have overworked you all, but I thought you, at least, Santa, would appreciate having your tradition preserved."

"Yes—we are advertised by our loving friends and all that," he sighed; "but advertisement and adversity are sometimes much alike. Tradition! Huh! Do you think I, the representative of the good St. Nicholas, and of Kris Kringle, which originally meant the Christ-child, enjoy being made into a buffoon? Yet even that, undignified as it is, has some life in it, but being put into paper, and made into box covers—bah! How have the mighty fallen!"

"Yes, indeed!" sputtered the candles. "And speaking of traditions, do you know that our history in connection with sacred rites goes back to ancient Rome, and even to Egypt? And here we are, metamorphosed into electric lights on Christmas trees, and put into all sorts of card decorations that have no meaning."

"Do I need to add a word?" asked the blazing star.

"No, please," Mosette answered meekly. Not but that you could speak to the point," she added politely.

"Five points, you mean," corrected the star. "And it seems as though I had a thousand and would like to drive them all home, when I think of myself as represented in tinsel, in red, gilt and silver paper, pasted on cards, accompanying all kinds of drivelling doggerel. I sometimes want to drown myself in the milky way, or go to the dog star!"

"That would be a serious matter," said the holly, smartly. "But speaking of points, I have a few myself, and the way I'm caricatured in drawings makes me feel like a bunch of rag-weed."

"Even at that," put in the mistletoe, "you always look rather fine in decorations, while by the time I've traveled from the southern states, I look like something out of the garbage can. Anyway, according to the old books, I have about as much to do with Christmas as—well, as—"

"As we have," said a pile of filled stockings Mosette had laid by, "to be delivered to the Orphans' home we were designed for good sensible service to the feet of humankind, and the only toes we've ever had in us were niggertoes. Even mistletoe won't go into us without breaking."

"But," Mosette protested, a little tired of all this fault-finding, "if you can all make puns, I don't see that you've quite lost your spirit, and, anyway, it might be easier if you would all remember that you're just symbols."

"Yes, but you see, the trouble is this," spoke up the dwarf Christmas tree perched on the table: "You humans have got so far away from the original idea of what we symbolize, that we feel we are nothing but a joke; that's why we have degenerated into pun-making. Look at me, an imitation fir tree, done on wires. How much of the frozen North can you see in me?"

"And look at us!" clattered a lot of red candy boxes, forming themselves into a chimney on the foot of her bed.



You Can Skate on Beans

YOU can skate on beans—and hoboggan too. For there is nothing like a big plate piled high and rounding with luscious baked beans to give you all the vim and energy in the world. Of course you've eaten baked beans either heated by themselves or made even more delicious by the addition of flavorful bits such as green peppers, onions, or minced bacon. But did you ever think of taking some cans of beans and a bucket of water along with you when you go skating?

Make a fire on the shore, put the cans in the water in the bucket and let the water boil for fifteen or twenty minutes, keeping the water up over the cans' tops. Then, reach in with one of the new-type can-openers that grip the rims and cut the lids off clean, lift out a can of beans and open it. What an enticing aroma arises! Hot baked beans! And doesn't it bring the crowd running to hold out their plates so they can share in this hearty food?

Beans Before or After

Did you ever try Baked Beans Parmesan just before you started on a winter sport or just after you returned? Here is the recipe, warranted to please: Sauté one small, diced onion and one canned, diced pimiento in two tablespoons of butter until a golden brown, then add the contents of a number 2 can of baked beans, one-eighth teaspoon of pepper, and three tablespoons of grated Parmesan cheese. Heat thoroughly and serve garnished with sweet gherkins. Make a lot of this if you want some left for yourself, because you'll find the crowd voracious for it.*

"We're supposed to be bricks. Do we look like bricks? Is there any cheerful fire coming from us? Could Santa Claus come down this hole?"

Then the hubbub broke out again, bells clanging, voices clashing, until Mosette realized that a tune was evolving from the chaos of sounds, and presently she recognized the midnight chimes of the cathedral bells, ringing in the Christmas morning.

"Oh," she sighed. "It wasn't a jazz band, after all—only the chimes—and a clash of symbols!"

One good gift deserves another.

Answers to "How Much Do You Know"

1. South Carolina.
2. George III.
3. Mount Olympus.
4. It was discovered in 1922, or seven years ago.
5. Texas.
6. Exodus.
7. A Conan Doyle.
8. England, France, United States, Japan and Italy.
9. A line acknowledging indebtedness to another publication for copy.
10. The Americans.
11. Fifty-six.
12. One ounce.

The Poet: "The pen is mightier than the sword."
The Jew: "Of course it is. You can't sign checks with a sword."

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Family, 1-8 bag, 89 cents

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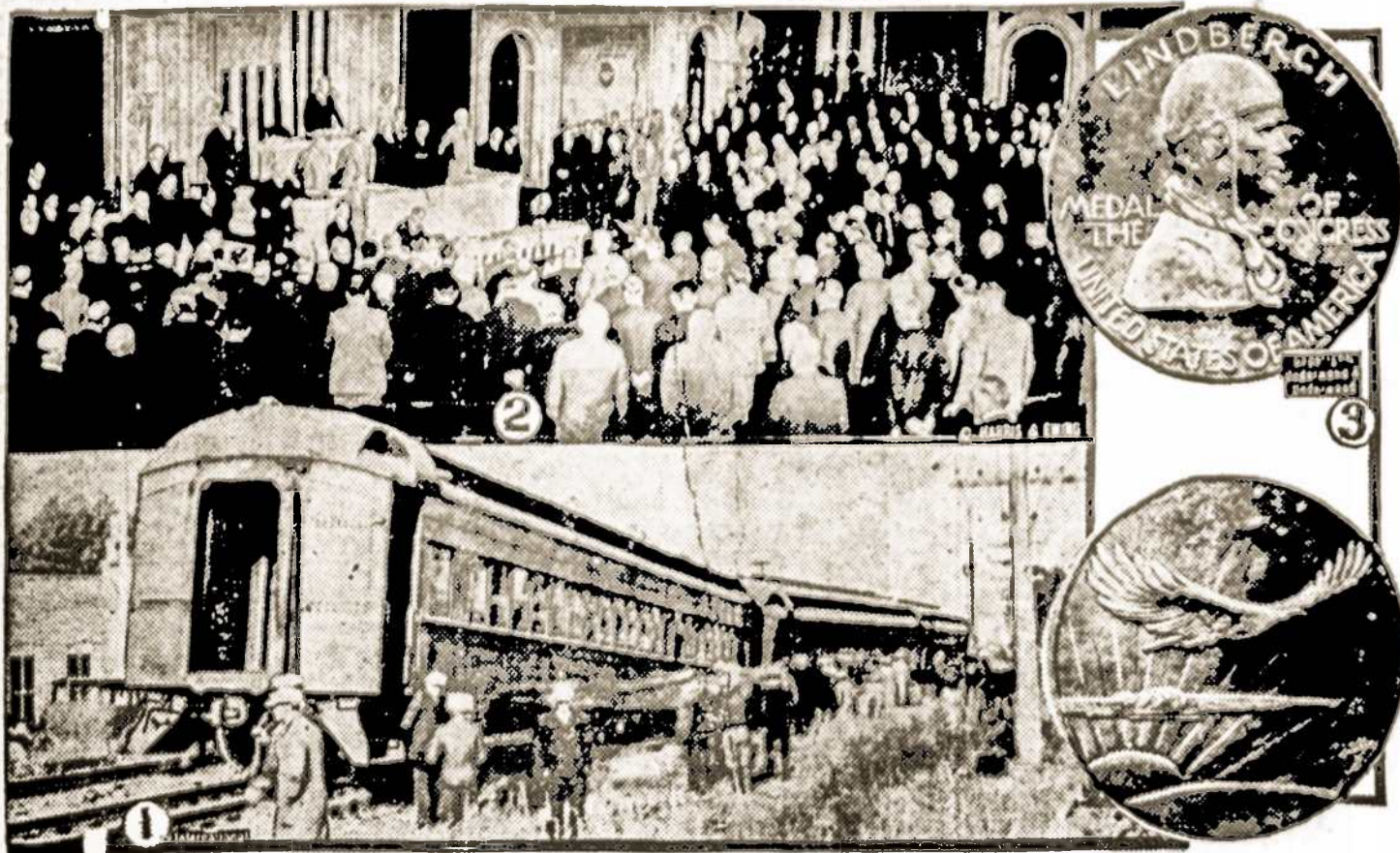
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NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Congress Hears President's Message and Gets Busy on Tax Reduction.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

CONGRESS is doing business again at the old stand, the first regular session having opened Monday with perfunctory meetings of both houses. Next day President Hoover's annual message was read in senate and house, being listened to with intense interest and praised by administration supporters and criticized by the opposition.

The document was long and comprehensive, consisting of a matter of fact statement of what the administration has done and of what it hopes to do in the near future, followed by many recommendations to the legislative body. Concerning international matters the President expressed "high hopes" for the success of the naval conference in London, and made the significant statement that if the movement for reduction of armament fails, the United States may find it necessary to spend upward of \$1,200,000,000 in naval construction in the next six years. He gave praise to the Kellogg-Brand pact, and said he would submit to the senate later the amended world court reservations. He urged ratification of the French debt settlement. In view of the uncertainty with respect to future revenue, the President recommended that the proposed 1 per cent cut in individual and corporation income taxes be limited to the present year. He urged early action on the tariff bill, again asking that the measure be devised to aid agriculture and industries that have not been prosperous, and once more he advised that the flexible tariff provision be retained.

Mr. Hoover's liking for commissions was evidenced in several recommendations. These included suggestions for a commission to study the problem of branch, group and chain banking, a commission to dispose of the Muscle Shoals controversy and a commission to study conditions in Haiti. The message advocated an increase in appropriations for rivers and harbors improvement from \$50,000,000 to \$55,000,000 annually, at least half of which should be available for the Mississippi inland waterways system. It also asked bigger appropriation for construction of public buildings and for ocean mail contracts. Concerning the reorganization of government departments, the President said he had come to the conclusion that the only way to avoid endless controversy was to delegate authority to the executive.

When he reached the subject of prohibition and law enforcement the President used decidedly vigorous language. In dealing with the former he said that "it is not to be expected that any criminal law will ever be fully enforced so long as criminals exist," and of law enforcement and observance generally he said it is "the most serious issue before our people." He scored the citizen who insists on selecting the particular laws which he will obey, branding him as the enemy of society. He made a number of recommendations for legislation to aid in enforcement of the prohibition law.

ON WEDNESDAY the President sent to congress the budget for the fiscal year 1931 calling for the expenditure of \$3,830,000,000. Of this sum about \$719,000,000 are for national defense activities, including the laying down of the three 10,000 ton cruisers on which suspension of work was ordered by President Hoover last summer. An outlay of \$33,000,000 for the army and navy air services is contemplated, and \$30,000,000 is to be expended on public buildings.

SPEEDY action on the administration's \$160,000,000 tax reduction program was obtained in the house. The joint resolution for the legislation going through practically without opposition. It was assumed that the senate also would adopt the resolution after some debate, and that the legislation would be enacted before the

Christmas holidays. While the reduction applies to only one year, there were indications that the President hopes it can be made permanent.

THE senate, according to program, took up the three year old controversy over the right of William S. Vare of Pennsylvania to a seat in that body. Efforts to delay the debate were defeated, and on Wednesday Mr. Vare himself, crippled by partial paralysis and watched over by his physician, appeared in the senate chamber and read a detailed denial of the charges of fraud and corruption in his campaign for nomination and election in 1928. Every one knew that Vare's appeal was hopeless, for a majority of the senators were hostile to his cause. The privileges and elections committee had decided in his favor the contest brought by W. B. Wilson, the defeated Democratic candidate, but a minority of that committee reported that alleged ballot box frauds and corruption made Vare's election illegal. Radical Republican senators could vote for this report because it would accomplish the exclusion of Vare without seating a Democrat.

WHEN President Hoover and Secretary Stimson, backed by Great Britain, took cognizance of China's appeal and sent a note to Russia and China asking them to remember their obligations under the Kellogg pact and stop their warlike activities in Manchuria, they ran against an ugly snag. Maxim Litvinoff, acting Russian commissar of foreign affairs, replied with a brusque note virtually telling the United States to mind its own business. He attempted to justify Moscow's course in the Manchurian embroglio, and then emphasized that the United States government had appealed to Russia at a time when direct negotiations were being carried on with Manchuria. By strength of this circumstance, the American note to Russia was termed an unjustified attempt to influence the Chinese-Russian negotiations and consequently could not be considered as a friendly act.

The commissar followed this with a public statement in the course of which he advised the United States and Great Britain to turn their minds toward activities in South America, warships in Chinese waters, and armies in colonial countries rather than attempt to obstruct the Russo-Chinese negotiations.

Secretary Stimson in a statement to the press made a sharp rejoinder upholding the right of any nation to mobilize world public opinion against a threatened outbreak of war.

The Nationalist government of China announced it would do all possible to effect a peaceable settlement with Russia of the controversy over the Chinese Eastern railway.

NEARLY four hundred of the country's leaders in business, finance and industry gathered in Washington Thursday at the invitation of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States to take steps for the advancing of President Hoover's campaign of business progress. Mr. Hoover himself told them first of the progress made through the series of conferences held previously, and Assistant Secretary Klein of the Commerce department addressed them on "the elements of strength and weakness in the present business situation."

A general discussion followed, culminating in the organization of a permanent committee, which is to maintain an alert scrutiny over national production, distribution and consumption, for the purpose of noting depressions in particular fields as they develop and of evolving a means of ending them before they become serious.

In his survey Mr. Klein, although saying that "admittedly in some industries the situation is not as satisfactory as it might be," and nothing is to be "gained by gliding these less solid wheels in our business mechanism," went on to declare that agriculture, in a broad sense, is sound, transportation active and efficient, mining and most major manufacturing activities "predominantly healthy, with a sound fiscal and banking system and available credit at reasonable rates. Prices are steady with a somewhat downward trend, and inventories are low and without indication of any serious congestion."

KING VICTOR EMMANUEL and Queen Helena of Italy made history Thursday, when they paid their formal visit to Pope Pius. They were the first sovereigns of united Italy ever to enter the Vatican. Minister of Foreign Affairs Dino Grandi, Count de Vecchi, Italian ambassador to the holy see and a great throng of courtiers accompanied the rulers to the Vatican City, all being in closed automobiles and escorted by cyclist police. Hundreds of thousands of persons gathered in the streets to witness the procession, and on buildings along the way the Italian and papal colors were displayed. High officials of the Vatican City met the king and queen at the Arch of Charlemagne, the papal gendarmes presented arms and their band played the royal march. After a lot more stately ceremonial the visitors entered the throne room alone, the pope met them and raised them up as they bent to kiss his hand; then the door closed and the three conversed alone for a time. The royal pair as they left carried precious religious gifts bestowed by the pontiff. After calling on Cardinal Gasparri, papal secretary of state, and receiving holy water from Cardinal Merry del Val, they worshiped in St. Peter's and returned to their palace.

ALL of our biggest oil magnates and Sir Henri Deterding of Holland, managing director of the Royal Dutch Shell companies, were in Chicago last week attending the annual meeting of the American Petroleum Institute. The fact that Harry F. Sinclair is still popular among oil men was demonstrated by his re-election as a director of the institute. Edward L. Doheny was retired at his own request. Deterding addressed to the convention a plea for conservation of oil.

"A great many today," he said "think the oil supplies inexhaustible. We pay too little attention to wasteful exploitation (apart from producing too much), forgetting that new fields in the States may still be discovered, but that they can never be created. Nature put them in limited number and it is almost childish to state that the more that are discovered the fewer are left to the fate of discovery."

E. B. Reeser, president of the institute, asserted that the American petroleum industry had succeeded in balancing demand and supply of crude oil supplies but that there was still an overproduction of gasoline.

POSTMASTER GENERAL BROWN'S annual report revealed that the deficit in his department for the year ending June 30 was \$85,461,176, or more than twice as big as the previous year. Among the factors responsible for this fact were the granting of \$7,470,000 additional pay to postal workers and the payment of \$7,380,000 on ocean mail contracts; also the downward revision of postal rates during the last year reduced revenues about \$21,528,000 below what they would have been. Mr. Brown's report said that the department handled free of charge special privileged mail that otherwise would have paid in nearly ten millions of dollars.

REPRESENTATIVE TINKHAM of Massachusetts has prodded the senate committee on lobbying so severely that it may inquire into the activities and sources of revenue of a lot of lobbyists other than those whose concern is with the tariff. These may include the Anti-saloon league and other bodies that are supposed to influence the votes of congressmen in matters relating to prohibition. Chairman Caraway of the committee told Mr. Tinkham the investigators would give him a public hearing. The Massachusetts representative has introduced a measure to require, under the threat of heavy penalties for violators, the registration of persons attempting to influence legislation.

COBLENZ, GERMANY, was ablaze with bonfires and torches and gay with banners during a twenty-four celebration of the liberation of the second zone of occupation of the Rhineland. As the allied troops marched out, the German authorities marched in, the bands played and the people rejoiced hysterically. It has been announced that the last of the British occupational troops will leave the Rhineland on December 12.

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Aer Christmas Toys



Montague

The C. E. Society is having a social this evening at the chapel.

The post office is installed in new quarters recently built at the home of S. L. Wilde.

Mrs. Albert Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lively of Heath, are spending the winter with her.

Several teams of basketball are now in practice under the leadership of Mr. Smith, Miss Hannaford and Miss Parker.

Robert Bartlett has purchased and is running the bus to Greenfield which has been run by Warren Ball for the last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clark and Mr. and Mrs. George Gunn attended the meeting of the State Grange at Worcester this week.

A social assembly of the church was held last evening at the chapel. An interesting program, with games and stunts, and community singing, filled out the evening.

Miss Jessie Wheeler, who has been working in Washington for the past six months, has been transferred to Boston to a civil service position in the Department of Agriculture.

The P. T. A. meeting was largely attended Tuesday evening. This meeting was in charge of the fathers. They secured Mr. and Mrs. Louis LaShier and little daughter as entertainers. The program consisted of several musical novelty numbers, recitations and exhibition of three trained birds. Everyone enjoyed the entertainment. Refreshments were served by the men.

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Friday, December 20, 1929

The Meaning of Christmas Day

An anniversary cannot be truly kept unless the event back of it is recalled and the more vivid the recollection, the more valuable the day. Christmas Day cannot be kept intelligently unless we know, first of all, that it commemorates the birth of the most interesting man in all history. The 25th of December may not be the correct date of His birth. It was chosen sometime in the fourth century as His birthday and is universally accepted. No serious effort has been made to change it. For a long time the day had been a Roman holiday. It was called "the Day of the Unconquered Sun," because then the dark days of the winter solstice began to grow longer and lighter and the people who were sun-worshippers rejoiced in the birthday of the sun. For a few days slaves were given their freedom. They entered into the festivities with their masters. For everyone it was a season of freedom and light. To take the central day of this season of rejoicing for the birthday of Jesus was a fortunate choice—for in Him humanity has found freedom and light. Light is truth: "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." In Him we have the truth about ourselves. In His triumphant life we see our own possibilities. His life was not an easy one. He lived in Palestine, then an insignificant province of the Roman Empire, exploited to the limit for the benefit of the Caesars. He was poor. He worked hard for the support of his widowed mother and his younger brothers and sisters. Nazareth was a little town and little towns usually have their tragedies, their hardships and their temptations. But in little towns the people know one another. He knew his neighbors—knew them well—knew their problems and their troubles. He knew the home life of His townsmen. He must have specialized in His companionship with children. It was His habit to get the little boys and girls around Him, take them in His arms and say to the bystanders that the kingdom of heaven was made up of such as these. It is not at all strange that Christmas Day is a day for the children and for the home. Jesus glorified childhood; He sanctified the home and the family. And from the ideal home where the parents' love is centered in the children, He reasoned upward and found the truth of the Fatherhood of God, and its corollary truth, the Brotherhood of Man. Surely Christmas Day is even yet the day of Freedom and of Light.

The well established custom of giving and receiving at Christmas time needs careful watching lest it becomes a mere matter of exchange affecting even the lowly as well as the more aristocratic Christmas card. It takes a brave spirit to get away from the debts and credits which have arisen out of an otherwise praiseworthy method of expressing good cheer and good wishes. There are other problems, too, that have somehow gotten into the Christmas season to perplex us rather than to increase our joy. One is very evident when it comes to the selection of a gift for a friend. One can get plenty of help from the salesman, but the value of that help is often doubtful and sometimes quite misleading. "What is this for?" was asked by a lady who picked up an elaborate contraption from the Christmas goods counter. "That," said the clerk, "why, madam, that is intended for a Christmas present." Not much else can be said of scores of articles devised to attract and purchased; and the recipients thereof are as uncertain as to what they are for as the giver was. And yet they have their value. They may be passed on next Christmas to some one else. The art of receiving gifts, whether at Xmas or any other time, is as commendable as the art of giving. Not every one can accept a gift graciously. Not every one is prompt in acknowledging it in an appreciative way. Many a present

to a distant friend is left at the post office and that is the end of it so far as he giver is concerned. He, or she, may wonder if it ever reached its destination, but hesitates to write and ask. Yes, Christmas giving and receiving have their problems, and it takes a lot of wisdom and grace to solve them.

Coming Attractions At Monttor Theatre, Hinsdale, N. H.

Following is a list of coming attractions at the Monttor theatre: On Saturday, Dec. 21, an all-star cast will present "Thirteenth Chair"; Thursday, Dec. 26, Ken Maynard will be featured in "Royal Rider"; Saturday, Dec. 28, Joan Crawford in "Untamed"; Tuesday, Dec. 31, an all-Negro cast in "Hallelujah"; Thursday, Jan. 2, Ken Maynard in "California Mail"; Saturday, Jan. 4, Robert Armstrong in "Oh Yeah"; Tuesday, Jan. 7, Charles Ray and Corinne Saturday, Jan. 11, an all-star cast pre-Griffith in "The Garden of Eden"; Saturday, Jan. 12, "So This Is College"; Tuesday, Jan. 14, Billie Dove in "Private Life"; Saturday, Jan. 18, Duncan Sisters in "It's A Great Life"; Tuesday, Jan. 21, Jack Mulhall in "Dark Streets"; Saturday, Jan. 25, William Haines in "Navy Blues"; and on Tuesday, Jan. 28, Robert Armstrong will be featured in "Big News." Regular shows at the Monttor now start at 7.30 p. m., and on Saturdays the matinee begins at 3 p. m.

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The following is the time of trains on new schedule, taking effect at 12:01, Sunday, Sept. 29, 1929.

DAILY:

NORTH BOUND
Arrives 11:29 a. m. 5:50 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND
Arrives 9:26 a. m. 4:37 p. m.

SUNDAYS:

NORTH BOUND
Arrives 9:12 a. m. 5:15 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND
Arrives 8:28 a. m. 4:37 p. m.

U. S. POST OFFICE
MAILS CLOSE:

FOR THE NORTH
11:10 a. m. 5:30 p. m.

FOR THE SOUTH
9:05 a. m. 4:15 p. m.

NEW BUS SERVICE

Bus service between Brattleboro and Northampton, week days, is as follows:

DAILY:

SOUTH BOUND
7:20 a. m. 1:40 p. m.

NORTH BOUND
SUNDAYS:

SOUTH BOUND
11:20 a. m. 1:50 p. m.

NORTH BOUND
12:20 p. m. 6:40 p. m.

Francis Cherrier in J. W. Field's drug store.

Frank Pifer is ill in his home on Cream Pot hill.

Mrs. Milan T. Towne and daughter are visiting relatives in Keene.

Mrs. Johnson A. Haines is visiting relatives in Boston and vicinity.

Mrs. Rufus M. Langworthy spent the week-end in Springfield, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Garfield were in Boston two days last week.

Mrs. Joseph Deane of Ashuelot was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Deane.

Mrs. Louis N. Stearns entertained the B. B. club in her home last Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Whitney and son, Russell, were guests of relatives here over Sunday.

Schools in town will close today (Friday) for the Christmas vacation of two weeks.

Successful deer hunters are Glen and Rex Higgins, Harold S. Garfield and Thomas Rouillard.

Edward N. Allen of Springfield, Mass., was a guest Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Fay.

Walter Sikoski, U. S. N., came Monday night to his parent's home here to remain for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Jaquith of Brattleboro have moved into the Holton house on Canal street.

Orrin C. Robertson, Ralph Wood and Frederick S. Leonard were in Boston from Wednesday until Friday.

The Ladies' Missionary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. W. G. Booth this (Friday) evening at 3 p. m.

Miss Lottie Hastings and Miss Flora Boorn visited Mrs. C. D. Bly in Brattleboro the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Daniel P. Welch entertained the Auction Bridge club in her Canal street home this week Wednesday evening.

Miss Mary E. Mann, who teaches school in Greenfield, Mass., has been at home several days on account of illness.

Mrs. Clyde Smith and daughter of Greenfield, Mass., were recent guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philbert Lefebvre.

There will be a food and Christmas sale Saturday afternoon, Dec. 21, at 3 o'clock in the vestry of the First Congregational church.

Mrs. Tony Burazynski, who had been in the Elliott Community hospital at Keene, N. H., for three weeks, following an operation, has returned to her home here.

Four candidates were initiated at a special meeting of Naomi Chapter, No. 36, O. E. S., this week Monday evening. Following the initiation, refreshments were served.

Jason P. Sikoski and Wendell Gove, students at the University of New Hampshire in Durham, came Sunday to their homes here, where they will remain until after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra B. Pike, Mrs. Hattie Dickerman, Frank Walker and Mrs. Jennie Butler attended the State Grange meeting in Manchester, N. H., last Wednesday and Thursday.

Matthew P. Sikoski, who is employed at the Princeton Inn in Princeton, N. J., will come Sunday to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sikoski, to remain until after Christmas.

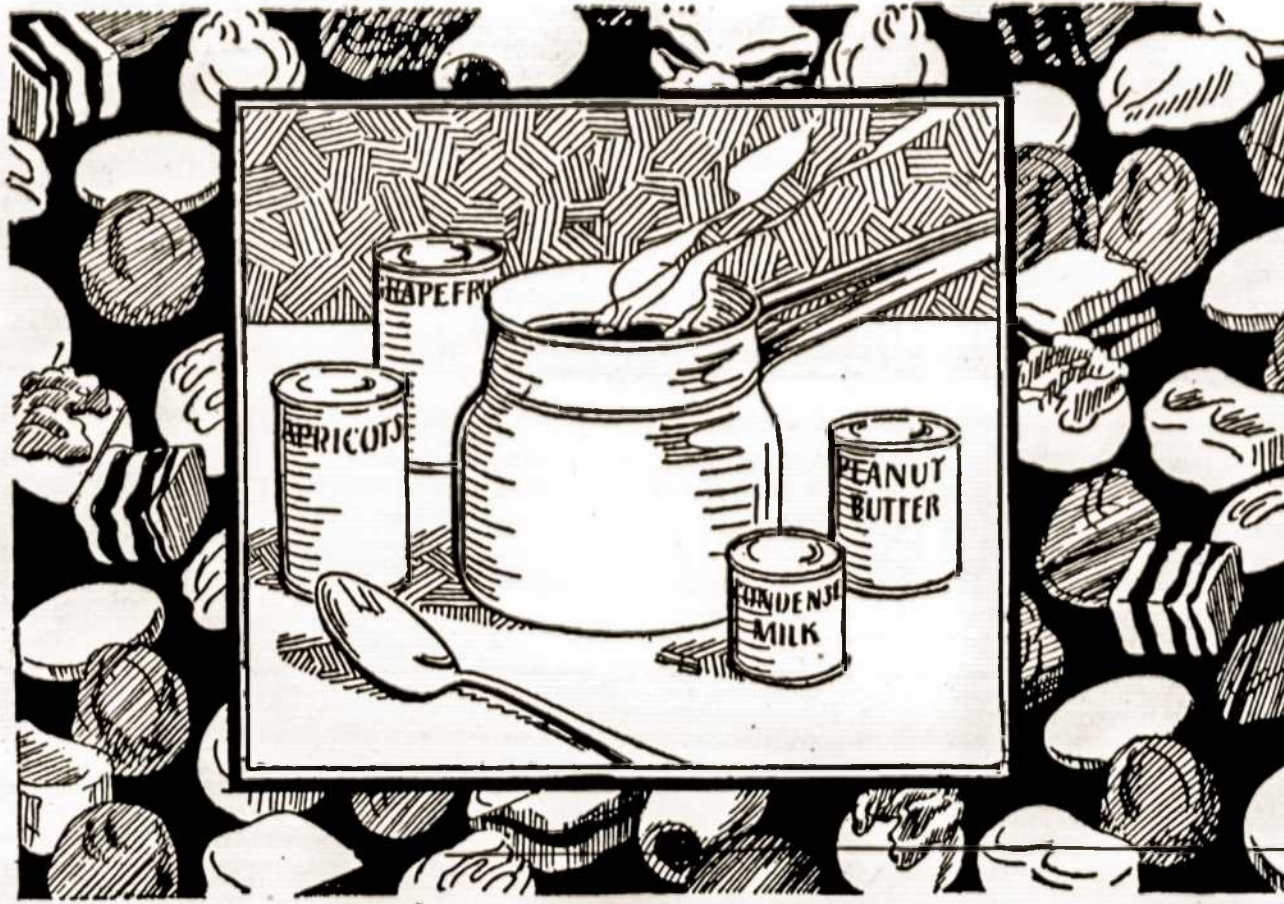
This (Friday) evening the Sunday school Christmas tree will be held at the First Congregational Church with appropriate exercises, and Sunday evening, Dec. 22, a Christmas concert will be given in the church at 7 o'clock.

Rev. Johnson A. Haines, pastor of the First Congregational church, slipped on the ice in front of the church last Thursday evening and injured his head quite badly, so that the aid of a physician was necessary. He preached his usual sermon last Sunday.

The bride wore flesh pink chiffon, with hat to match, and carried pink roses. The traveling gown of the bride was old rose flat crepe. The bridesmaid wore pale green satin, with hat to match and carried Hallman roses. A reception was held in the church following the ceremony.

The annual meeting of Hinsdale branch of the American Red Cross was held at the headquarters last Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock and these officers were elected: Mrs. Rose F. Holland, chairman; Mrs. Clarence R. Hildreth, assistant chairman; Mrs. Clarence D. Fay, secretary; Miss Joseph Gray, treasurer; Mrs. R. F. Hol-

CANDIES FOR CHRISTMAS



Do you remember that when you were a little girl Grandmother would take you up in the cold attic a day or two before Christmas, and there, stretched out on sheets and sheets of paper, were hundreds of candies? Chocolates, and fondants and mints, and peanut brittle and divinity and fudge and stuffed dates and Parisian sweets—well, just all the candy a little girl could imagine. And do you remember the uncertainty which assailed you when she told you you could pick out any three pieces you wanted? They all looked so good.

How We Do It Today

Today, many of us have no cold attic in which to store candy; and many of us prefer to buy our Christmas candy in decorated tin boxes, which is the modern way of keeping it, but still and all there is something mighty attractive about the confections which we have made at home and flavored with real fruit flavorings and coated with chocolate which we know is of the best. Then, too, new candy recipes are constantly being evolved and who doesn't want to try them out?

Here are some recipes which have recently been originated and tested and which are different enough to make women guests eye them with interest, and good enough to make the men keep reaching for more.

Apricot Marshmallows: Combine two cups of sugar, one-half cup of water, one-fourth cup of light corn

syrup and the contents of an 8-ounce can of apricots (first passing the fruit through a sieve). Boil to 240° F., the soft ball stage. Meanwhile, let four tablespoons of gelatin soften in one-half cup of cold water. When the syrup is done, add the gelatin and beat with a rotary egg beater until the mixture is white and fluffy. Add four stiffly-beaten egg whites and one-half tablespoon of cornstarch and continue beating for a short time until thick but not stringy or tough. Pour into a pan well dusted with confectioner's sugar; the mixture should be three-fourths inch deep. Dust sugar over the top and let stand several hours. Then turn the sheet out and cut in cubes, keeping the knife constantly wet with cold water to prevent sticking. Roll each marshmallow in more confectioner's sugar and let stand an hour or so to dry the edges. Then pack in tin boxes with sugar sprinkled between the layers.

Golden Candies

Grapefruit Fudge: Crush the grapefruit from an 8-ounce can, add the fruit and syrup to three tablespoons of sugar and boil to a thick jam, about 222° F. Meanwhile, melt two squares of chocolate, add two cups of sugar, two-thirds of a cup of condensed milk, one-half cup of water and two tablespoons of light corn syrup. Boil, without stirring, to 230° F. Add the grapefruit jam and continue cooking the

two together to the 234° point, or until it threads. Remove from the fire, add two tablespoons of butter, and let it melt over the top. Cool the candy to 120° and then beat until creamy. Pour into greased pans and cut in squares just before it hardens.

Peanut Butter Penoches: Boil three cups of brown sugar, one-third cup of peanut butter, two tablespoons of butter and one cup of milk to the soft ball stage, (240° F.). Cool, beat until creamy, add one-half cup of salted peanuts and one-half teaspoon of vanilla and pour out onto a buttered platter. Cut in squares.

An Apricot Confection

Apricot Jelly Cubes: Press the contents of an 8-ounce can of apricots through a sieve, making a purée. Make half a cup of pectin syrup as directed on the bottle. Add the pectin syrup, apricot purée, one-half cup of sugar, one-half cup of corn syrup and one-half tablespoon of lemon juice. Boil until the thermometer registers 222° and the syrup shakes off the spoon in a sheet; the regular jelly test can be made also, to determine if the jelly is done. Pour into greased pans so that the mixture is about one-half inch thick and let cool. Let stand over-night in a cold place. Cut in cubes and roll in powdered sugar. This candy may also be dipped in chocolate or in melted fondant.

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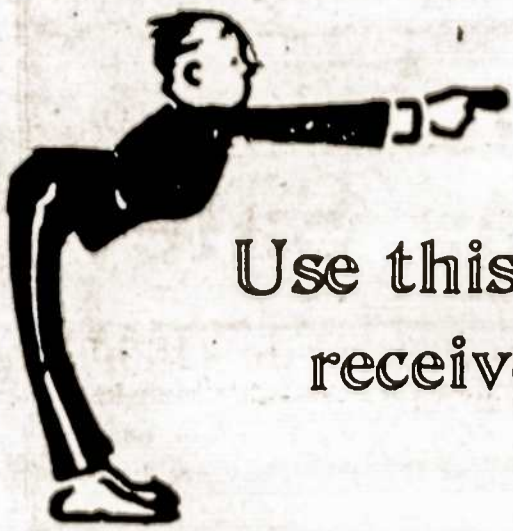
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There is a popular idea that writing
is writing and that an author can
shift at will from one form into an-
other without difficulty and do as good
work in a three-volume novel as in a
newspaper skit, and vice versa. So
little does the public understand the
psychological and emotional elements
that underlie the arts, that it is as-
sumed that a short story is merely a
short novel and a novel is merely an
elongated short story. That they are
totally different art forms requiring
quite unlike mental and emotional
equipment in the author is well illus-
trated by the perusal of one of the
novels of Fannie Hurst.
Miss Hurst has an established and
well advertised position as a writer of
short stories. And her reputation is
deserved. Every so often, once in
two or three years, she produces a
story that has the authentic touch of
genius, is a real example of the pur-
pose of tragedy to rouse in the reader
the emotions of pity and fear. It re-
quires high art to write low tragedy
and get away with it. When Miss
Hurst succeeds, as she does in some
of her short stories, the result is a real
and important contribution to the sum
of human understanding. When she
fails to make the tragic touch with
precision and skill, as she usually does
in her novels, the result is exasperat-
ing.

For this author has chosen a pecu-
liar field. She specializes exclusively
in the seamy and sordid side of life.
She does not, of course, as some critics
have alleged, do this because either
she or her readers enjoy wallowing in
filth for its own sake. What Miss
Hurst is trying to say is that the world
is not as beautiful and neat and spot-
less as some of us would like to believe.
All around us are bogs of poverty and
ignorance and suffering that the snug
and safe know nothing of. She has,
in short, something to say that will
not hurt a self-satisfied world to hear.
When she presents these unpleasant
facts in all their stark ugliness, she
produces an effect of tragedy, pity for
the unfortunate and fear lest the ills
that oppress the lease among us may
hiss up to submerge us all. Lummo-
x, she has reached an effect that ap-
proaches real tragedy. It is the story
of a servant girl living out her life in
the kitchens of other people in the im-
personal world of an uncaring city. A
trite these but a good one. If only Miss
Hurst had not tried to sentimentalize
her protagonist and add a touch of
mysticism! As it is, the book vaguely
suggests "The Servant in the House,"
and other attempts of that kind. An
untrimmed picture of this woman in
all her stark frustration would have
been much better.

The later book, "Five and Ten," has
not even the attempt at artistic effect
for an excuse. It is a chaotic collec-
tion of unrelated episodes and impos-
sible characters going through a series
of lurid experiences that have neither
cause nor effect. As a novel, this book
does not exist. Though it may be a
good movie. It is a jumble of silly
episodes thickly interlarded with sugar.
Moreover the theme of the book flatly
contradicts the underlying philosophy
of all Miss Hurst's previous work.
Heretofore she had said that poverty is
the root of all evil. Now she seems to
say that riches are the root of all evil.
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discover that all the evils that afflict
mankind cannot be laid to the work-
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shall get another and better "Lum-
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Tuesday evening, Dec. 10, at 6 o'clock.
Misses Hazel and Ethel Hammond
spent the week-end with their grand-
parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Martin, in
Greenfield.

The Christmas tree of the No. 3 Day
school will be held Thursday evening
of this week, under the direction of
Miss Haskell.

Mr. Winters of Cohasset, who has
been a guest of Elmer Perkins, had the
luck to get a deer and returned to
his home Sunday.

Rev. Fred Stanley of Cohasset, who
has been camping in Murray Ham-
mond's pasture, returned home Wed-
nesday, having the luck to get a small
doe.

The annual Christmas tree of the
No. 4 school will be held Friday eve-
ning, Dec. 13, at Union hall. A play
by the upper room under the direction
of their teacher, Miss Baker, will be
presented, and a pageant by the lower
grades under the direction of their
teacher, Miss Allen. The public is
invited.

After the supper at 8 o'clock, a pro-
gram was given: "The Old Fashioned
Singing School." The cast: Simeon
Bangs, singing master, Harry Glazier;
Jerusha, Mrs. Eva Kerwin; Joshua,
Warren Billings; Hiram, Lewis Woods;
Nancy, Bertha Leach; Samantha, Ber-
tha Hammond; Calvin, Malcolm Bil-
lings; Martha, Nettie Gilbert. The
costumes of those taking part were all
old costumes and added much to the
entertainment. The parts were all

done well for such short notice. A
good sum was realized and the pres-
ident wishes to thank the community
and committee for their support and
help.

The Northfield Farms Community
club held its monthly meeting in Union
hall Thursday evening, Dec. 5. It was
voted to purchase new shades for the
windows. Mrs. Malcolm Billings was
asked to purchase the shades and John
Kerrian gave his time to put them up.
They were up for Tuesday night and
add to the appearance of the hall,
thanks to the committee.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

QUESTIONS

1. What State in the Union grants no divorces?
2. Who was the King of England during the American Revolution?
3. Where was the home of the gods?
4. How long ago was the tomb of Tutankhamen discovered?
5. In what State are the people nicknamed "beefheads"?
6. What does Exod. stand for?
7. Who was the author of "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes"?
8. What five nations will be in the five-power naval conference?
9. What is "credit" in newspaper language?
10. Who are the world's greatest coffee drinkers?
11. How many nations have signed the Kellogg peace pact?
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of us, at one time or another, has
wanted to sit down in his corner
with his own, whole, Christmas pie
and eat it every bit himself, gloating
over each and every plum, and,
finally, with a sigh of repletion,
putting the container down on the
floor, empty?

Your Own Christmas Pie

That the answer is *Yes* seems
pretty well demonstrated, for,
really, there are very few things in
the world as good as Christmas pies
and puddings. The old-timers are
known to us all, but occasionally
some genius will think up a varia-
tion which will make the resultant
dish better than it ever was before.
For instance, try this recipe for
Steamed Chocolate Pudding. Cream
two tablespoons of butter with one-

half cup of sugar, and add one well
beaten egg. Add one and one-fourth
squares of melted chocolate. Sift
one and one-eighth cups of flour
with two teaspoons of baking pow-
der and one-eighth teaspoon of salt;
add to the first mixture alternately
with one-fourth cup of water com-
bined with one-fourth cup of evap-
orated milk. Pour into a well-
greased tube cake tin, or a pudding
mold, and cover tightly with an
oiled paper or a regular cover.
Steam one and one-half hours.
Turn out and serve with the follow-
ing sauce: Cook one-half cup of
seedless raisins in one cup of water
until they are plump. Cream one-
half cup of butter with two cups of
confectioner's sugar. Mix one
tablespoon of flour with one table-
spoon of water, add one cup of
boiling water and cook until thick
and creamy; add the creamed but-
ter and sugar, then add the raisins,
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Historic Markers

The Governor's State tercentenary commission, officially the Massachusetts Bay Colony tercentenary commission, with field offices at 22 Beacon street, has delegated Frank Roe Batchelder of Worcester, vice-chairman of the commission, to put into effect a program proposed by him to the commission, for placing 100 tablet markers close to historical shrines throughout the State.

Many of these spots, sacred in memory, have been grossly neglected and hundreds are wholly unmarked. It is the purpose of the commission to place suitable markers on at least 100 such sites early in 1930.

It is also hoped and believed that this will be an opening wedge for a State-wide program of historical markers, similar to that which has been so successfully undertaken in Virginia and is now under consideration in Ohio and other States.

Mr. Batchelder has made several trips to Virginia for the purpose of studying that Commonwealth's marker program and has been given every assistance by the State conservation and development commission through Mr. E. O. Fippin, the executive secretary, and Dr. H. J. Eckenrode, the well known historian, who is director of the division of archaeology and history of that commission. Virginia has a program for placing 3000 of these historical markers and 1000 already are in position. The type of marker used in Virginia is an iron tablet, case with the same inscription on both sides and with Gothic lettering, easily read without descending from a passing motor. On the supporting post is a route letter and the number of the marker. The commission gives free to tourists a book entitled "Roads Are White Pages of History in Virginia," which contains the text of all tablets, and the traveler who is too hurried to stop and read all the inscriptions may easily find the story in this book as he speeds on his way.

The first task confronting Mr. Batchelder is to select from the scores of unmarked sites of historical interest in Massachusetts 100 of the most important and interesting to be marked in 1930. He is in consultation with the various historical societies, and will have the direct assistance of Mr. Walter Kendall Watkins, who has been appointed by John Carroll Chase, president of the New England Historic Genealogical Society in cooperating with the tercentenary commission in this work. Mr. Watkins, who is secretary of the Massachusetts Society of Sons of the American Revolution, is well equipped for the task of locating and designating the sites of historic interest to be marked.

The commission, however, invites suggestions and information from all historical societies and from individual citizens who can assist in locating important sites of historic interest and in verifying their history. Such letters are already coming daily to the office of the commission at 22 Beacon street, where the field secretary, Mr. Albert E. Rogers puts them in train for the consideration of Mr. Batchelder and Mr. Watkins.

The commission hopes that these markers will prove to be one of the most interesting, as they should be a permanent feature of the observance of the tercentenary. It is believed they will greatly interest visitors from other States, as well as our own citizens. The ordinary stone marker is often placed so far from the roadside that, if small, it is not noticed, or if noticed, the traveler must leave his car for a nearer approach, in order to read the inscription; and whether in small letters usually on bronze tablets, or in the incised letters of granite monuments, such inscriptions are seldom readable from a car on the road. The Virginia tablets, which are 42 inches wide, with a height varying from 30 to 36 inches, according to the amount of lettering, are erected on iron posts, set in reinforced concrete, and near enough to the roadside so as to be easily read by the motorists approaching from either direction. The background is painted with aluminum; the letters dark blue or black. Out of 1000 tablets erected in Virginia thus far only 36 have been injured or destroyed. The tablet is not the inviting target for the vandal's shotgun that the ordinary enamelled sign offers; and no case of intentional disfigurement has yet been reported in Virginia.

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All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to **MARY STEWART SCHELL, NICHOLAS P. RYDER,** Executors.
Address: 21 East 62nd St., 5493 Fieldston Road, Riverdale, October 15th, 1929.

CHURCH, FRATERNAL AND OTHER NOTICES**TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

Francis Wayland Pattison, Minister

Announcements for week of Dec. 22:

SUNDAY
10:30 a. m. Prayers.
10:45 a. m. Christmas morning service.
12:00 noon. Sunday school.
4:00 p. m. Christmas Vespers with the children, including parts by the children and "A Christmas Miracle."
5:45 p. m. Christmas carols will be sung about Northfield.

MONDAY
5:30 p. m. Children's supper in the vestry.
6:30 p. m. Around the Christmas tree with Santa Claus; everybody invited.

THURSDAY
7:30 p. m. Week evening service.

FRIDAY
6:00 p. m. Senior Young People's supper and welcome hold to old members.

UNITARIAN CHURCH

Rev. R. E. Giffith, Pastor

SUNDAY
Subject for the sermon Sunday, "The Transformer."
ARVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH,

SOUTH VERNON

Rev. George E. Tyler, Pastor

SUNDAY
10:45 a. m. Special Christmas service, with address by the pastor; Christmas music and recitations and songs by the Sunday school pupils. The regular Sunday school service will be omitted.
7 p. m. Pralse service and an address by Mrs. R. Edgar Bruce; subject, "Religious Education in the Public Schools."

TUESDAY
7 p. m. A special Christmas service with distribution of gifts from a Christmas tree.

THURSDAY
7:30 p. m. Mid-week meeting at the Vernon Home.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH

Mrs. Nellie A. Reid, Pastor

SUNDAY
10:30 A. M. Morning Worship.
11:30 A. M. Sunday School.
6:30 P. M. Class Meeting.
7:30 P. M. Evening Worship.
WEDNESDAY
3:00 P. M. Children's Meeting
7:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting.

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SUNDAY: 1:30 P. M. 10:38

BUS 6:20 P. M.

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Bill in Behalf of R. H. Wilder

Representative Allan T. Treadway of this district has introduced a bill in the House of Representatives for the purpose of regularizing the military status of Robert H. Wilder of Northfield, a well known citizen of this town and Commander of the American Legion Post, 179. The bill was introduced Dec. 5 and is now in the hands of the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Wilder, then captain in the Veteran Corps of Artillery of the New York Guard, was gassed while in France on military duty in 1917. He had been sent, at the request of the Department of the East, to obtain special technical information needed for the defense of New York against a threatened attack by German Zeppelins. After reporting to General Pershing personally at Chaumont, Wilder proceeded to the French anti-aircraft school at Arnouville and from there to the front. After obtaining the detailed information, Captain Wilder returned to America and turned in his report to the War Department. He was brevetted major by the State of New York for "distinguished conduct and public service in the presence of the enemy."

It was the plan that he should enter the army under federal auspices upon his return from this special mission. But he was gassed at the front and was physically disabled for active service. With the result that, when the physical disability forced him to retire from active business in New York and return to the country for his health, he found that he was not technically eligible to compensation under the Emergency Officers' Act. Mr. Treadway's bill is designed to remedy this defect in the records and to right a gross injustice to a disabled veteran of the war. Mr. Wilder's many friends who know of this situation, both here in Northfield and in Montague township, where Mr. Wilder spent his boyhood are gratified at Mr. Treadway's interest in the matter.

The bill reads as follows: "That the President be, and he is hereby authorized to place Robert H. Wilder on the emergency officer's retired list of the United States Army as a Captain in the Coast Artillery, United States Army, with the pay and emoluments of that rank."

This is of special interest to Northfield friends of Major Wilder, who is the Commander of the Haven H. Spencer Post, American Legion.

Booster, Knocker or Bystander

Every citizen in every community belongs in one of three categories—the booster, the knocker or the bystander.

The booster uses his mind, his time, his money, diligently striving day by day to make the town a community in which its citizens can comfortably and happily live; one in which industries prosper and all the advantages for joy and comfort will be accessible to its populations. He has the good of his town at heart and consistently pushes forward every movement for public betterment which may develop.

The knocker goes about the streets continually crabbing about the booster's attempts for civic improvement, but never suggests a better plan. Whatever the proposition may be, he is "agin" it as wholeheartedly as the booster was for it.

The bystander stands by, sometimes sanctioning, sometimes disapproving, but never assisting in any forward movement. He takes all in, but never gives.

These three classes make the town. Its progress, its modernism, its industrial prosperity depends upon what these men make it. Unless a town's boosters, its men of vision, can overpower its knockers and its bystanders, it is lost. Its neighboring town which has more boosters and fewer knockers and bystanders, will press onward while the other stands by and looks on.

Husband (in car): "Heavens, the engine is terribly overheated."

Wife (calmly): "Then who don't you turn off the radiator?"

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-adv.

New England's Fast Train

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The "Flying Yankee," crack Boston & Maine non-stop train between Boston and Portland, is the fastest train in the United States which makes a run of 100 miles or more, it is disclosed as a result of the tabulation of the country's speediest passenger trains.

The tabulation, compiled by "Transportation," a trade magazine, coupled with the passenger schedules of the Boston & Maine and the New Haven, shows "The Flying Yankee" out in front with her 114.7 miles in 135 minutes, and the "Pine Tree Limited" of the Boston & Maine and the "Merchants Limited" and "Knickerbocker Limited" of the New Haven holding high places.

The Boston & Maine puts the "Flying Yankee" over her non-stop runs in each direction on the western route between Boston and Portland daily, at an average speed of 51 miles per hour, faster than the "Congressional Limited" of the Pennsylvania, next fastest train on a run of 100 miles or more. Boston & Maine records show that the "Flying Yankee" was not late on any trip in November.

Highway Safety

For the next few weeks we shall run the rules and regulations of the Commonwealth respecting the operation of motor vehicles upon State highways. Section I is as follows:

Section I. (Drive on right side of highway.)

(a) Upon all highways, except one-way streets, the driver of a vehicle shall drive the same upon the right half of the highway and shall drive a truck, bus, horse drawn or slow moving vehicle as closely as practicable to the right hand edge or curb of such highway, except when overtaking and passing another vehicle, or when placing a vehicle in a position to make a left turn.

(b) When any highway has been divided into lanes, a driver of a vehicle shall drive the same so as to be entirely within a single lane and shall not move from the lane in which he is driving until he has first ascertained if such movement can be made with safety; further, provided, that the driver of a vehicle shall operate the same in the lane nearest the right side of the highway when said lane is available for travel, except when overtaking another vehicle or in preparation for a left turn; and upon any highway which is divided into three lanes, no driver of a vehicle shall operate the same in the center lane unless overtaking another vehicle or in preparation for a left turn, or unless the right lane is impassable, or unless instructed to do so by a police officer.

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Rastus: "Here am a telegram from de master in Africa saying he sending is some lion's tails."

Circus Owner's Wife: "Lion's tails, Rastus? What are you talking about? Rastus: 'Well, read it yo'self. It says plain: 'Jes captured two lions, sending details by mail.'"

Buy gifts in haste and repent in leisure.

It is more expensive to give than to receive.

Never look the Christmas gift in the cost mark.

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Is a sight to behold—
With the top of the spruce tree
So starry and gold.

And the bright dancing colors
Of lights that are there
Cast a glow of enchantment
Where once it was bare.

Though the house is so silent
No sound greets one's ears
A bright "Merry Christmas"
Is what Santa hears.

For each twinkling light,
To both stranger and friend,
Will the season's best wishes
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Let light shine forth as a welcome to the passer-by.

Spread the Yule-tide spirit with colored lights, candles, wreaths and many other attractive decorations that are shown at your electrical dealers. See them today.

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